of Maryland, the certificate of this company, heretofore prepared by their President and Directors, setting forth that a sufficient amount had been subscribed to the capital stock of said company, to justify the commencement of the construction of their canal, and to insure its completion by the most northern practicable route, in conformity with the 8th section of chap. 395, of December session, 1835—and that from the conversation which he had with the said Treasurer, when the said certificate was delivered to him, it was most probable that the said Treasurer would require further information from this company—and especially touching its having been duly organized or incorporated, as preliminary to his subscribing to the capital stock under the said act of Assembly, of either the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, or the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Company—and therefore it was by this board

Resolved, That James Wm. McCulloh, Secretary of the Maryland Canal Company, be, and he is hereby authorized and instructed to furnish to the Treasurer of the Western Shore of Maryland, upon the application of that officer, or the request of any officer of either the Baltimore and Ohio rail road company, or the Chesapeake and Ohio canal company, any information relative to the organization of this corporation, or any of its officers—and to give such information in the form of abstracts from the minutes of the proceedings of the commissioners of this company, or of its stockholders, or of its president and directors, or from its books and papers, and to authenticate the said abstracts or writings, by affixing the corporate seal of this company thereto—and also by his signing and verifying the same.

And it was also Resolved, That the Secretary of the Maryland canal company be authorized and instructed to give to any officer of this State, or to any public authority within the same, any information relative to the organization and affairs of said company, which he may deem it necessary or expedient to give.

The certificate that was executed and given to the Treasurer of the Western Shore of Maryland, by the Maryland canal company, by their president and directors, as aforementioned, is in the following form and words:

To the Treasurer of the Western Shore of Maryland.

The Maryland canal company does hereby certify that a sufficient amount has been subscribed to the capital stock of said company, to justify the commencement of the construction of their canal, and to insure its completion by the most northern practicable route.

In witness whereof the said, the Maryland canal company, hereto affixes its corporate seal, and the president and the undersigned direc-